

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

MICHAEL F. CHAVEZ,

Petitioner,

v.

No. 1:17-CV-871-KG-KRS

GERMAN FRANCO, Warden, and
STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Respondents.

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

THIS MATTER comes before the Court upon Petitioner's Application (Motion) to Proceed in District Court without Prepaying Fees or Costs [Doc. 5]. Having reviewed the application, the Court FINDS and CONCLUDES that Petitioner's request is well-taken and should be granted. In making this determination, the Court notes that Petitioner has successfully established that he is unable to prepay the required filing fee and/or that so doing will cause him substantial hardship. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Petitioner's Application (Motion) to Proceed in District Court without Prepaying Fees or Costs [Doc. 5] is hereby **GRANTED**.



UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE